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- 1) A femoral stem (1;100) for hip (A) prosthesis (R) comprising:
- a main body (2) with mainly longitudinal development and with a generally wedge shape, adapted to be inserted into the femoral canal (N) present in the body (C) of the femur (F);
- a central body (3; 101) of a generally trapezoidal shape integral with said main body (2), adapted to be located in the proximal zone (Z) of said femur (F);
- an appendix (4) projecting from said central body (3; 101), provided with a terminal pin (5) adapted to receive a spherical head (S) of joint in the cotyle (I) belonging to said prosthesis (R) and inserted in the acetabular zone (E) of the pelvic bone (O),
 - and it is **characterized in that** said main body (2) and said central body (3; 101) are defined by a shaped surface (6) on one side and a mixtilinear surface (7; 102) on the opposite side from which a shaped notch (8) is starting involving said central body (3; 101) and extending up to the proximity of said projecting appendix (4).
 - 2) The femoral stem (1; 100) according to claim 1) characterized in that said mixtilinear surface (7; 102) consists of a first generally straight surface (7a; 102a) belonging to said central body (3; 101) and a second generally straight surface (7b) belonging to said main body (2), connected to said first surface (7a; 102a) through a generally convex radiused zone (7c) from which said shaped notch (8) is starting.
 - 3) The femoral stem (1; 100) according to claim 2) characterized in that the extension of said second surface (7b) defines with said first surface (7a; 102a) an acute angle (α).
 - 4) The femoral stem (1; 100) according to claim 2) characterized in that said shaped notch (8) divides said central body (3; 101) into a first zone (3a; 101a) arranged generally facing the greater trochanter (G) of said femur (F) and second zone (3b; 101b) arranged generally facing the lesser trochanter (P) of said femur (F), said first zone (3a; 101a) and said second zone (3b; 101b) being connected to each other through a bridge (3c) comprised between said shaped notch (8) and the radiused surface (9) between said projecting appendix (4) and said mixtilinear surface (7; 102).

- 5) The femoral stem (1; 100) according to claim 1) characterized in that said shaped notch (8) consists of a concave-convex continuous surface (8a) defining a profile (8') having generally the shape of a half slot.
- 6) The femoral stem (1; 100) according to claim 5) characterized in that said profile (8') consists of a first stretch (8b) connected to said mixtilinear surface (7; 102) with a generally constant cross section, and a second stretch (8c) extending until bellow said bridge (3c) with a widened cross section.
- 7) The femoral stem (100) according to claim 4) characterized in that said first zone (101a) of said central body (101) is externally provided with at least a longitudinal fin (103, 104) generally developed for the entire length (L_1)of said first zone (101a).
- 8) The femoral stem (100) according to claim 7) characterized in that said fin (103, 104) is arranged along a longitudinal axis (Y, Y') generally parallel to said first surface (102a) of said mixtilinear surface (102).
- 9) The femoral stem (100) according to claim 7) characterized in that said fin (103, 104) has a cross sectional conical profile (103', 104').
- 10) The femoral stem (1; 100) according to claim 1) characterized in that said shaped surface (6) has a concave-convex cross sectional profile.

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